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Title: System and Method for Performing Write Operations in a Disk Drive using a Write Stack Drive

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TOTAL CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$18	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$86	\$ 0
[ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$290	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$110.00	2ND MONTH \$420.00	3RD MONTH \$950.00	4TH MONTH \$1480.00		\$ 0
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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Please consider the remarks in this communication in response to the  
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A listing of the claims is provided beginning on page 2 of this  
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